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The Readers Always Write

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One morning I noticed that one of the nurse's aides seemed very unhappy as she went about her work. I asked her why she didn't reflect the usual bright spirit she was well known by. She sadly told me that her Persian "Punjab" had been killed in an encounter with two neighborhood dogs. Many times I had listened to her as she proudly described the "light" in her life.

I was moved too, so I wrote this little poem for her. It is nothing that would win a poetry contest, but the sincerity that compelled me to write it is the very same feeling a cat owner knows when he has lost a feline companion.

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Results of our recent questionnaire are being tabulated, and to the many hundreds of readers whose names were chosen at random who replied promptly, our sincere thanks. To those tardier souls who may still have a post-card lurking around the house, may we say why not fill that card out today, drop it in the mail-box and retire tonight with a beautifully clear conscience? Reprinted here is one of the most extensive, interesting and well-travelled replies we have received to date.

Dear Mr. Kenny:

I'm returning your post-card partly filled out.

When stateside, I fed my nine cats in our "Sing-Lo" cattery, sardines in tomato sauce (morning) and horsemeat (evening). Way out here in the South Pacific on the Island of Guam, I have two cats, both Seal Point Siamese, which I showed on the East Coast 2 years ago. I still feed the sardines in tomato sauce and instead of horsemeat, which is unobtainable, I feed liver, beef or sometimes canned food. In both places, I give vitamins.

Incidentally, the cats enjoy life out here. Many areas of the house are screened and they enjoy looking out at all the activities. There are numerous small lizards called Ghehos which sometimes get in the house. The cats chase them and when they are scared, their tails drop off. Then the cats don't know whether to chase the lizard or play with the wiggling discarded tail.

I enjoy your Magazine very much and like to check on the show records and see how cats I've shown mine against are doing and look for news of old friends.

I've located four other Seal Point Siamese on the island, 2 spays, 1 neuter and one male of the pet type. I've seen no long-hairs.

I believe I hold the record for the farthest-away registered cattery from the United States. When I return to the States, I will again be showing and renewing old friendships.

Very truly yours,
Mrs. J. W. Dempsey
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San Francisco, Calif.

FRIENDS IN NEED AND DEED

Gentlemen:

We had an incident concerning a Siamese and a domestic cat happen which we think is unusual and might be of interest to some of your readers.

When we first received our female Siamese, Simi Roo, as a gift, we were told we'd have to find a new home for our domestic cat, Rhubarb, which we had had for about a year. We were informed the two breeds would not get along together, and we would save ourselves a headache by sending the domestic cat away immediately. However, she

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COVER

This lovely photograph of two Abyssinian kittens was made by Walter Chandra of Huntington, L.I., N. Y.

was the baby's pet, and we loved her, so we took our chances that the two females would make a truce. The Siamese, after getting acclimated to her new home, dominated the scene, and would not be friends with the other cat. She hissed and spat at Rhubarb, until Rhu. completely lost her gay and frisky nature and became a shy and timid creature, hiding under the bed, and in closets. We thought it would be best to find a new home for her, and then found out that she was going to have kittens, so we waited until the event had taken place. She had two kittens and we noticed the Siamese cat did not seem to be jealous as we had feared. She tolerated the kittens chasing after her, and treated them very gently when they ate from her plate.

Soon after, we found Simi Roo was also to have kittens (a male Siamese fathered both litters), and she became more amiable in temperament. She was late in having the kittens, and as it was her third litter, we were worried. When her time came, she wanted me to be near her, and followed me about the apartment, whimpering and sighing. When her pains started, she seemed to go wild, running around in circles crying. I ran for her box, which we had prepared, and tried to convince her to stay in it. She had a very difficult time with the first birth, and was exhausted after it. Rhubarb jumped into the box with Simi Roo, and immediately began cleaning up the kitten and Simi Roo too. She made soothing noises which seemed to calm the Siamese, who relaxed and rested. It was

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STORK WORKS OVERTIME

in Kentucky and California



Mrs. Nikki Slobodian of Louisville, Ky., with her nine tiny Persians and their father, Champion Glad-Low's Red Coach of Shawnee.



Mrs. Kenneth Bartlett of La Canada, Calif., and her proud Siamese, Pixie's Ku-Ki of Kabar, with her king-size litter of ten.

In a season that saw even Jimmy Stewart, the ex-world's most eligible bachelor (our own title, but we hear thousands cheer), become the father of twins, probably anything could happen, and certainly in the Stork Department of the thorough-bred cat world, did.

We show here pictures received of two recent unusually large births, unusually large births with cats being anything over eight or nine kittens.

Mrs. Nikki Slobodian, of Louisville, Kentucky, is still a little nonplussed, as she sits with the Persian father of the litter, Champion Glad-Low's Red Coach of Shawnee, who in turn seems to be momentarily overcome with incredulity. The mother of this original litter of ten, all but one of which lived, is doing well, although she is accused now by some of being a sly thing, as her first litter consisted of one. She retorts that her second litter of seven should have been sufficient warning for this third and final, to date, brood.

Mrs. Kenneth Bartlett of La Canada, California, on the other hand, seems to

have relaxed sufficiently by now from her Pixie's Ku-Ki of Kabar's birth of ten Sealpoint Siamese to enjoy them, although Ku-Ki is keeping a weather eye out to see just what Mrs. Bartlett is doing with that tenth child up there. All of Ku-Ki's children lived (there was added excitement, incidentally, as they were born on the third birthday of the Bartlett's daughter, Deborah Jeanne), and Ku-Ki reports the entire family, assisted by Mrs. Bartlett and medicine-dropper feedings three times a day, is doing well. The only misfortune was the passing on of the Papa, Mrs. Alexander's Lo-Tzen, a short time before the event took place.

It is unfortunate that as Nature brought into the world these nineteen fine babies, she elected to take away one little cat-life, and one large, full-grown, loved one. But at a time like this, Philosophy must take a back-seat-to feeling, therefore to both new mothers and children, paeans of joy for your safe survival, and our congratulations to your patient, good-looking midwives.

1951 ALL-AMERICAN CATS and CAT-of-the-YEAR to be announced in the September CATS

The climax of the 1950-51 Cat Show year occurs next month with the announcement in the September CATS Magazine of the highest ranking individual cats of each breed, color, and sex—the All-American Cats.

In the May, June, July, and August issues, CATS has listed the leading cats for each section, and from these groups the national winners will be chosen on the basis of their show records.

The cat with the best record of all will be named Cat-of-the-Year—the highest honor in the cat fancy.

Look for the All-American Cats in the September CATS Magazine



Cat-Picture-of-the-Month, by Mrs. Florence H. Northway

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"It sure smells good!" but how to get a drink out of that bottle is the problem faced by this puzzled puss. And as a problem-picture, it's the prize-winning Cat-Picture-of-the-Month. A \$25.00 Series E Bond has already been sent to Mrs. Florence H. Northway, Grangeville, Idaho, by the American Crabmeat Company of Boston—makers of Three Little Kittens Cat Food and co-sponsors with CATS magazine of this outstanding cat photography contest. For her skill in depicting the quandary of her pet, Mrs. Northway has herself been rewarded with the fascinating problem presented by the \$25.00 Bond.

Mrs. Northway is a primary school teacher who assists her husband on their farm and in addition finds time for such hobbies as short story writing, antiques, cats, and photography. She carefully plans her pictures, but must be very much on the alert to take advantage of the precise moment when her subject is at its best as in her prize-winner.

Mrs. Northway deserves special mention as she is only the second photographer west of the Mississippi to have earned the Picture-of-the-Month award this year. Previous winners have been from New York, New Hampshire, Pennsylvania, and Colorado. All states, however, have been well represented with excellent entries in the contest, and the judges have been faced with many difficult decisions in trying to choose any one best picture. Even with two-thirds of the 1951 contest period over, entries and interest in the contest are increasing each month.

The purpose of the CAT-Picture-of-the-Month contest is to encourage cat photography by giving recognition to the best previously unpublished cat picture each month and at the end of the year to select the one finest photograph submitted as the Cat-Picture-of-the-Year. Awards of \$25.00 Bonds are made for the monthly prizes, and a \$100.00 Bond will be the 1951 yearly prize.

Every photographer, amateur or professional, (except employees of CATS magazine, or the American Crabmeat Company and its advertising agents) is a potential prize winner. While photographic quality is important, the judges place particular emphasis upon expression, the picture idea, and the general human interest (or really feline interest) aroused by looking at the picture.

With four prize-winners still to be selected cat-lovers and photographers are urged to submit their favorite pictures. Each one has an even chance for the prize award and for the outstanding honor of being the Cat-Picture-of-the-Month or of the Year.

Complete rules for the contest are shown on page three of this issue of CATS magazine. Photos, with name and address attached should be mailed only to Cat-Picture-of-the-Month Contest, P. O. Box 403, Boston 2, Mass.



All dressed up and ready for the Show—Philblack peers at the newspaper for mention of his big success, 4th Prize!

Working Cat Wins at Denver Show

A "tomcat" Cinderella story hardly sounds likely, but that's exactly what happened recently in Denver.

Philblack, who was just a lowly feline, "employed" at the Gates Rubber Company's raw materials warehouse, was suddenly whisked from his humble status into the select society of pedigreed Persian and Siamese cats from all over the United States.

Phil, with his heartwarming, playful antics, did such a good job of "winning friends and influencing people" at the Gates warehouse that employees entered him in the National Championship Cat show at the Sairley-Savoy, in Denver this spring.

How this common house cat, ancestry unknown, turned the magic of "crashing" one of the top events in catdom, is quite a story.

It all started when, for some reason, the mouse population recently increased at the Gates warehouse on South Santa Fe Drive. Employees there called a council of war. The manager listened to all proposals—all the way from better mouse traps to the use of a "small atomic bomb." His crew had an answer: The cat! Ah, there was the answer! Never in all history had man produced a better mousetrap.

Employees visited the nearby Dumb Friends League and sounded out possibilities. Three cats "adopted" was the result. Because the warehouse stores quantities of carbon black, used in making rubber products, employees named them Thermax, Pelletex and Philblack—brand names of carbon black. Like MacArthur's men against the Red Koreans, once these cats cut loose they quickly subdued the enemy mouse invasion. Nightwatchmen described it this way.

"There would be a scampering sound. Empty cartons would start bouncing around—then a dull, sickening silence. Another mouse was caught!"

Philblack, the largest of the trio, seemed hungriest.

"Instead of first playing with his

catch, as cat-dom rules would require," witnesses said, "he would gobble up a mouse like a schoolboy devouring a marshmallow."

But before long, Gates employees learned two of the three cats were "ladies." Pelletex, feline with the voice, always brushing up for that coming night on the backyard fence, and Thermax, just a quiet, 'fraidy cat, had to withdraw from warehouse duties. Each was expecting blessed events.

That left Philblack—like MacArthur in Japan after World War II, the enemy conquered, but still there, on duty—just in case.

With less mice to worry about, there was more time for Philblack to show his stuff. For the price of 1½ pints of milk per day, he turned on the ol' charm—pawing playfully, cuddling up loveably at appropriate moments. He made himself a major part of the family. Came the National Cat Show announcement, and there was only one thing to do: Enter Philblack in the event.

Why not? employees asked. The National Cat Show was a benefit event. Sponsored by the Colorado Cat Fanciers Association, its proceeds went to build and equip a Service Men's lounge in the Denver Union station—a worthy cause.

There were some 160 felines on display. There were Persians, Siamese, domestic shorthairs and household pets from Boston, Minneapolis, Texas, and the West Coast as well as from all over Denver and Colorado.

As a special treat, the show featured "PeeWee," the midget Siamese; "Tidden-Tadden," the famous cat that repulsed a bandit; "Clementine Jones," the cat that walked 1600 miles to get back home.

Then—there was Philblack!

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This is no tall tale, because it's a true tale about no tails.

Three tailless kittens are the latest edition to the Creighton University (Omaha, Nebraska) biology animal department.

Considered a rare thing in the feline family, the kittens were brought to Dr. John F. Sheehan, Director of the Creighton Biology Department, by Dorothy Noonan of Omaha, who lives near the University.

The two-month old specimens, two females, one male, are the original three of a litter. The mother has a normal length tail, the father a short tail.

The mother cat has given birth to kittens without tails in previous litters, but this is the first time the whole litter has been abnormal.

Dr. Benedict J. Jankoski, Assistant Professor of Biology, explained the "believe it or not" as mutation.

In biological terminology, this means that the offspring suddenly differ from the parents in some well-marked characteristics.

This is distinguished from a gradual variation in which new characters become highly developed only in the course of many generations.

Dr. Jankoski also termed it brachyurous, which means abnormally short.

While the three otherwise normal and playful animals posed for the camera, they were unconcerned over the question of the actual use or purpose of the tail. A cat always lands on its feet. Does the tail offer balance? It made no difference when one of these three were airborne.

A story on the kittens, printed in the Omaha World-Herald, caused one reader to contest the claim of tailless kittens. She called them bob-tailed cats.

The kittens, according to the reader, were part Manx. The sire and/or dam evidently had some Manx strain.

The original article stated that the tailless trio would be kept at Creighton for experimentation.

Mutations will be studied to see how they arise and to record the inheritance characteristics. Creighton is interested in breeding brachyurous cats to attempt an evaluation of possible embryonic causes for the mutations.

Ed. Note: We are inclined to agree with the reader who suggested the father, possibly both parents, have Manx Strains in their ancestry, however, it will be interesting to note (or attempt to note) how the mutations arise, as the Creighton University experimental bureau puts it.

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How to Defeat National Campaign Of Friends of Birds

By GUY BOGART

Director of World Friends of the Cats

The marauding cat measure has now become truly a national issue with the June start by The Friends of the Birds of an invasion of Congress. Literature is going to every member of our national law makers in Washington. And naturally we may expect Miss Gertrude Charny in two more years to have the measure introduced again in California. We will gain nothing by feelings against Miss Charny. She is within her full constitutional and social rights. What we need is 1% of cat lovers with her zeal and persistence. Please read again my radio talk as published in the May CATS Magazine. For the past two years by pen and radio and letters—hundreds of them—I have been urging concerted action by cat lovers. This is a national measure, for the California campaign was just an opening wedge.

Mrs. T. A. Dobyns, corresponding secretary of the New Orleans Cat Fancier's Association has answered the challenge in Louisiana. Through her group, newspapers have been contacted and also every Congressman of the Louisiana Parishes. She is alerting her State cat lovers. We need this same immediate AND CONTINUING alertness in every city and district of the United States.

For the past two years I have worked under the incorporation of National Cat Week through its committee "World Friends of the Cats." But there are so many problems distinctly needing attention that for months a few of us have been working on tentative details for a medium to handle all such problems. The Cat Crusaders plan to form an incorporated organization. We shall keep all cat lovers informed. For the present, however, we shall continue to work through The Friends of the Cats.

Both the marauding cat measures and the various municipal licensing ordinances are primarily based on ignorant (and sometimes perhaps wilful) misinformation that cats are the major enemy to song birds and other birds and threaten their very existence. Not one scientific report on this has ever been produced. Unfortunately cat lovers are as ignorant, for the greater part, as the enemies of the feline in this vital information.

Luckily states have for years been making scientific surveys, by examining the stomachs of feral house cats and by other methods. The latest is the ten-year survey by the Fish and Game department of California. In Michigan, Missouri, Wisconsin, Oregon and elsewhere the findings all have the same tenor, proving that even the feral house cat is not a "menace" to any form of bird life. The whole study of the balance of nature refutes the absurd falsities on which the enemies of cats base their primary demand for

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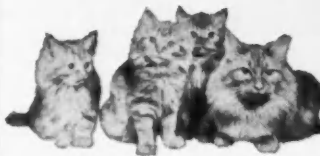
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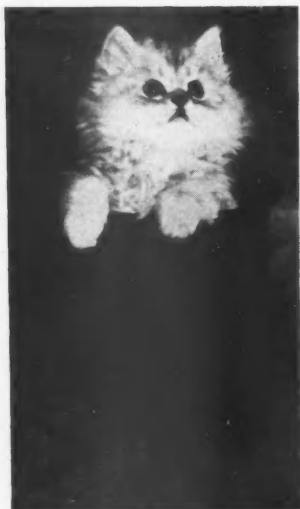
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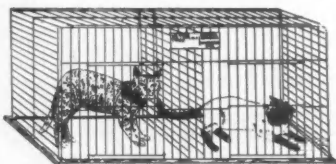
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**CATS' CLUB & SHOW REPORTER****C.F.A. Meets**

At the Executive Board Meeting of C.F.A. held on June 11, 1951, two new clubs were accepted to membership—Magic Valley Cat Club, Mrs. Lou Willbern, Sec., Rt. 1, Box 134, McAllen, Texas; and the Siamese Cat Club, Mrs. James M. Riggi, Sec., 4062 Riverton Ave., No. Hollywood, Calif.

Changes of the show dates of the Golden Gate Cat Club to December 1 and 2, and of the Fort Wayne Cat Club to January 12 and 13 were approved.

Additional show dates were sanctioned as follows:

Domestic Short Hair Club of the South	Oct. 13-14, 1951
Norfolk Cat Fanciers, Inc.	Oct. 13-14, 1951
Solid Color Club of the South	Oct. 20-21, 1951
National Siamese Cat Club	Oct. 20-21, 1951
Central States Solid Color Club	Oct. 27-28, 1951
San Francisco Cat Fanciers	Nov. 4-5, 1951
Gulf Shore Cat Fanciers	Nov. 17-18, 1951
Solid Color Club of the South	Nov. 17-18, 1951
American Tabby & Tortie Club	Nov. 24-25, 1951
National Siamese Cat Club	Dec. 8-9, 1951
Houston Cat Club	Dec. 8-9, 1951
Kentucky Cat Club	Jan. 5-6, 1952
California Cat Club	Jan. 12-13, 1952
Detroit Persian Society, Inc.	Jan. 19-20, 1952
Buffalo Cat Club	Jan. 26-27, 1952
San Joaquin Cat Fanciers, Inc.	Jan. 26-27, 1952
National Siamese Cat Club	Feb. 2-3, 1952
Angel City Cat Fanciers	Feb. 2-3, 1952
Inland Cat Club	Feb. 9-10, 1952

Club Notes and News

The newly organized Marin County Cat Club has announced its first Annual All-Breed and Short Hair Specialty show to be held in San Rafael, California, October 27 and 28 under ACA rules.

Redwood Cat Fanciers of Eureka, California (CFA) report a splendid public response to their informal showing of fine cats at a Hobby Show held in the Eureka Municipal Auditorium. Cats were exhibited in relays by different members of the club, and officials were on hand to answer questions and to supply interested visitors with literature on the breeding, feeding, and care of cats.

The Western Cat Club (U.C.F.) will hold their show on December 8 and 9.

Cotton States Cat Club Show (CFA) will be held November 24 and 25 in Atlanta, and the Cat Fanciers of Washington, Inc., (CFA) will hold their 6th Championship Show October 20-21. Twin City Cat Fanciers, Inc. have announced that their show this year will be held on October 6 and 7 in the Dykman Hotel, Minneapolis, under CFA rules. The North Shore Cat Club (ACA) Show will be held in Chicago in Northwest Hall October 27 and 28. (Full show schedules will be published in CATS magazine beginning with the September issue, and complete information on most shows will be found in our advertising columns.)

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All-Southern Cats Named

Congratulations to 32 All-Southern Cats and to their owners listed on page 15 in this issue of CATS. These are the cats whose show records have established them as the best of their bred, sex, and color in all of the South and who after months of strenuous show activity have earned the distinction which, next to All-American, (for which they are now eligible) is the highest that can be attained in the Cat Fancy.

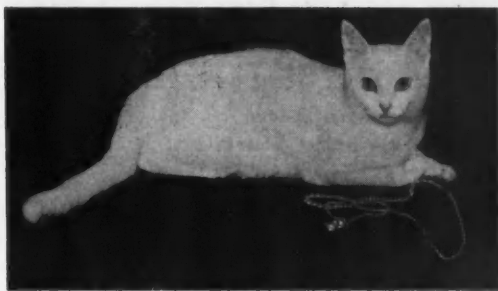
Florida cats are overwhelmingly in the lead this year, gaining 17 awards against six for Virginia and three each for Tennessee, Kentucky, and Georgia. This is a considerable change in distribution from last year when out of thirty winners Florida had twelve, Virginia nine, Maryland and Tennessee three each, Georgia two, and the District of Columbia one.

The highest scoring cat is Grand Champion Rosedere De-Anne of Normont, Blue-Cream Longhair, owned by Mrs. Merald E. Hoag, and the best opposite sex is Mrs. Carl R. Johnson's Red Tabby Male, Red Pepper of Spero. These two cats now carry the Southern hopes for Cat-of-the-Year and Opposite Sex Cat-of-the-Year against the highest scoring cats in the East, West, and Mid-West, as already announced in CATS Magazine.

Two cats chosen as All-Southern have recently been sold out of the section, but their season's wins were made while still under Southern ownership and they are therefore rightly included in the All-Southern listings. These are Mrs. Richard O'Donovan's Ch. Chirn Sa-hai Nahrana now owned by Mrs. Ronald Koenig of Indiana, and Mrs. T. A. Kloos' Dbl. Ch. Wycliff's Black Lord of Diston sold to Mrs. Dona Wendel of New Jersey.

Six 1951 All-Southerns are repeating honors won in 1950. Two of them—Mrs. Merald E. Hoag's Gr. Ch. Rosedere De-Anne of Nor-Mont, and Gr. Ch. Nor-Mont's Angelique were also 1950 All-American. Dbl. Ch. Citrus Ridge Pericles owned by Mrs. Arthur J. Smith has been All-Southern since 1949, the only cat to earn this distinction, and he was also All-American

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Gr. Ch. Nor-Mont's Angelique

NOR-MONT'S 5 ALL-SOUTHERN WINNERS

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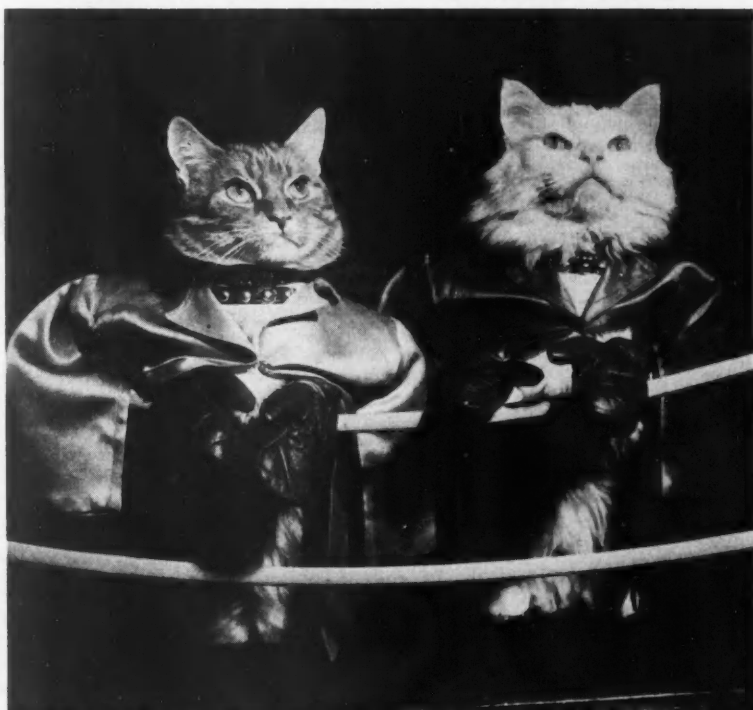
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ALL-SOUTHERN

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in 1949. The other 1950 winners who repeated are Mrs. Kloos' Dbl. Ch. Wy-cliffs' Black Lord of Disston, Ch. Princess Deri of Rollywood owned by Miss Elaine Hamilton, and Mrs. C. Edward Voke's Ch. Rosebank Chrysanta Royalist.

Mrs. Merald E. Hoag is the leading owner with five winners, followed by Mrs. Maude R. Barney with four. Those with two winners each are Bob and Elaine Hamilton, Mrs. Ruth C. Hayes, Mrs. Carl R. Johnson, Mrs. Richard O'Donovan, Miss Klara Schick, Mrs. Necolia Slobodian, and Mrs. Arthur J. Smith.

With these All-Southern selections, publication of 1951 Sectional ratings has been completed. Now the scorings of the sectional winners are being compared to determine the national leader for each breed, color, and sex, and in the September issue CATS magazine will bring its readers the official All-Ameri-

can cat ratings for 1951.

Again, congratulations to the winners, and the appreciation and best wishes of all cat-lovers to every exhibitor.

The ownership of two All-Western Long Hair Cats was shown incorrectly in the June issue of CATS magazine. Double Champion Victorian White Shoulders, All-Western Blue Eyed White Female is owned by Mrs. Elmer J. Forrett of Woodland, California. Mrs. Henry Van Holten of Oakland, California is the owner of All-Western Black Female Cuba of Roxborough.

For the benefit of the many Cats readers who have written in asking where they can purchase "Catnips at Love and Marriage" by Walter Chandoha, reviewed in our June issue, Gold Medal Books tells us that they will be glad to supply copies by mail for 30 cents each. Send your order to Fawcett Publications, Greenwich, Conn.

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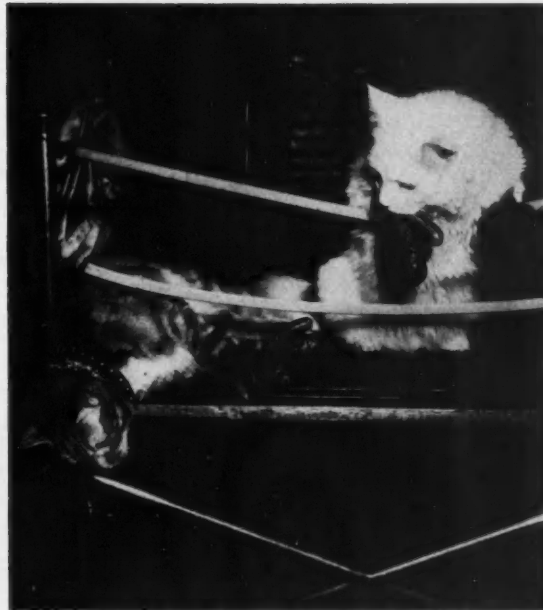
"I'll just feel him out with a left to the neck," says Whitey as the big fight begins. But, look what's coming—



Boof! Wham! "That'll show him cries Tex," and Whitey falls back on his heels. Looks like the count, but watch—



There Whitey is back on top again, banging away with both fists. "Hey, there, referee, that isn't fair." But, it's too late—



Tex goes down for the count and Whitey keeps his crown. Still, there's a return match coming, and meanwhile, best of luck to both of you.

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SONNETS TO A CAT

By Wallace Irwin

I

O Pussy, as I stroke thy fur
And smooth its silken thicket
I hear above thy placid purr
The chirping of a Cricket;
Ah, I suspect that subtle bug,
When winter's skies are drabby,
Has crawled beneath the hearthstone rug
To keep a tab on Tabby!

II

Nay, Puss or Poet seldom thrives
Unkicked by Rumor's sandle—
How can a Cat lead nine pure lives
Without a breath of scandal?
Eight lives a Cat might lead at home
As blameless as St. George's,
Yet in its ninth 'carnation roam
To witches' midnight orgies.

III

A Cat of cultivated throat
Has repertoires that vary—
Yet in the shrillness of his note
He rivals the canary.
A Cat-Concerto highly strung
With penetrating spirit
Is like some songs I too have sung—
I'd rather sing than hear it.

Contributed by Billie Bancroft

FIRELIGHT

By Heinrich Heine

(Trans. Sir Theodore Martin)

Musing I sit on my cushioned settle,
Facing the firelight's fearful shine;
Sings on the hob the simmering kettle,
Songs that seem echos of "auld lang
syne."
And close beside me the cat sits purring,
Warming her paws at the cheery
gleam;
The flames keep flitting, and flicking,
and whirring,—
My mind is wrapped in a realm of
dream.

Contributed by Mildred Leigh Smith

PURR HALL DAY

By Dr. Guy Bogart

Morn is a kitten
Playing along the horizon,
Scampering over clouds of night and scattering stars.

Noon is the blazing eye of a battling Tom.

Evening is the stretching of mother cat,
Curving at ease.

Night is the pattern of countless kittens—
Eyes shining in search of morn.

TO A CAT WHO IS MISSED

By Marjorie Kadow Woodruff

My house, these days, is haunted by a little golden ghost—
When twilight creeps inside the walls I feel his presence most,
For while I cut the crusty loaf and spread the cloth for tea,
Daintily, on velvet pads, he follows after me.

Topaz eyes and lifted paws implore me for a scrap;
Then he selects a cushioned seat to start his evening nap.
Busily a coral tongue tidies silken hair,—
But, looking too intently, I find an empty chair!

Later, dreaming by myself, with all the household still,
An importunate golden ghost comes tapping at my sill.
Though I throw the shutters wide, and call and call—
Just the lonely dark stares in; there's nothing else at all.

Walking in the garden before the world's astir,
Behind the dewy marigolds I hear a joyful purr,
And I shut my eyes and see him, graceful and remote,
With his proud gold plume a-waving and the sunlight on his coat.

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EXPLANATIONS

The Cat is a four-legged quadruped,—
And that's not countin' his tail.
Tabby is the name of Mrs. Cat
And Thomas is the male.
The Cat is carnivorous,
Although to milk inclin'—
It makes a hump out of its back
And whiskers it looks fine in.
No home should be without the Cat
Especially where there's mouses,
It never goes away, the Cat,
But stays just where the house is.

Contributed by Billie Bancroft.

Thousands die without this or that
Die, and endow a college or a cat.
Alexander Pope.

Cats may look upon man as a sort of locomotive tree, pleasant to rub against, the lower limbs of which afford a comfortable seat, and from whose upper branches occasionally drop tidbits of mutton and other delicious fruit.

Dr. Louis Robinson (1897)

HEARTH-SIDE SPHINX

By Grace Isabel Colbron

I am the Cat.
The world begins and ends in ME.
The stars that come and go,
Men here today and gone tomorrow,
What are they
Compared to ME?

I sit and watch
The passing show.

They run, they toil, they sweat,
These men. For what?
They do not know.

I sit and watch.
I simply AM.

I am the CAT.

Contributed by Dr. Ida M. Mellen

COLIN CLOUT

By John Gay

Have I not sat with thee full many a night,
When dying embers were our only light,
When every creature did in slumber lie,
Besides our cat, my Colin Clout and I?
No troublous thoughts the cat or Colin move,
While I alone am kept awake by love.

Contributed by Dr. Guy Bogart.

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Red Female—Ch. Shawnee's Copper Lustre, Mrs. Necolia Slobodian.
Cream Male—Ch. Nor-Mont's Southern Biscuit, Mrs. Merald E. Hoag.
Cream Female—Ch. Chirn Sa-hai Honey Bun, Mrs. Richard O'Donovan, 320 South 9th St., South Miami, Fla.

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Blue Point Siamese Male—Ch. Chirn Sa-Hai Nahrana, Mrs. Ronald Koenig, 1323 Scott Ave., Fort Wayne, Ind. (Former owner, Mrs. Richard O'Donovan.)
Blue Point Siamese Female—Ch. Rosebank Chrysanta Royalist, Mrs. C. Edward Voke, 614 N. Shore Road, Norfolk, Va.
Red Manx Female—Floridanus Tangerine—Mrs. Maude R. Barney.
Black Manx Male—Floridanus Jet Pilot, Mrs. Maude R. Barney.
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Blue-Eyed White Male—Ch. Nor-Mont's White Snowman, Mrs. Merald E. Hoag.
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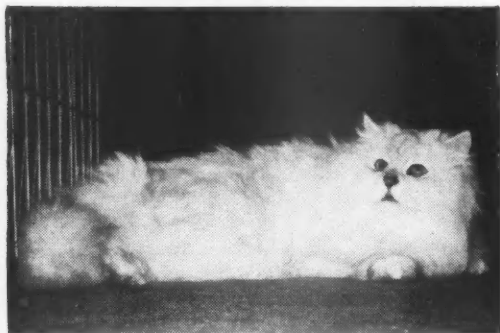
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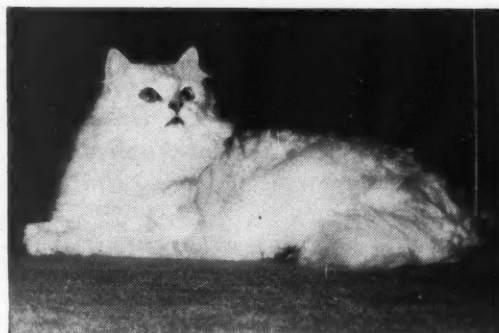
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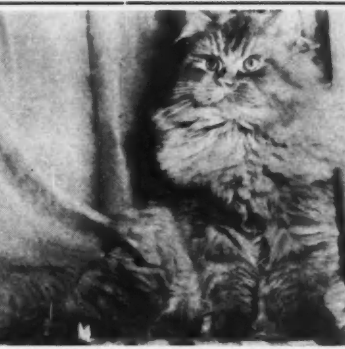
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From Hot Springs, Ark., comes a story given me by Irma Campbell of the Patty Paws Cattery. Over in Chestertown, Miss Vesta Furlow, the Post Mistress and store keeper owns a snow white cat that is named 'Snow Ball' who is twenty-three years of age—(could it be she was eleven winters and twelve summers—that is the way we girls would figure). Last year, just a few days before Snow Ball was twenty-two—she disappeared. "Poor ol' Snow Ball," lamented Miss Vesta, "she knew that death is a necessary end and she has gone out into the woods somewhere and died of old age."

People visiting the Post-office-store were sorry to hear of Snow Ball's passing—the place did not seem the same they said, without her, "but you could tell she had been going down hill for a

CAT TAILS

long while. She really looked and acted her age, quivery voice, tottery walk, no teeth and almost no eyes."

Then one morning, after a two week's absence, Snow Ball came tottering into the store, carrying one at a time, two spanking brand new kittens, a jet black and a pied brindle. As one eye witness said, "It simply paled all reason." Why, the old clock on the wall almost stopped stick-stock still. It had never seen the like in all it's timings. Grownups around town began turning back the years and you could overhear such remarks as, "Why, that cat is old as Methuselah! Why, she was born before the Hoover depression."—so on—and so on. To say the least, Snow Ball was in the nine days' wonder class. Being a good mother she took grand care of those two babies. As folks said "She surely ought to have sleight for tending them. She didn't lack for experience."

A few weeks ago Miss Vesta went down to Little Rock to attend the Arkansas postmasters' convention. The first words she heard when she got home to Chestertown, "Snow Ball's gone!"

"Poor old Snow Ball," lamented Miss Vesta, "she's dead. After all, you must remember she would have been twenty-

three years old this 24th of June."

"Snow Ball isn't dead," declared Aunt Sallie. "You'll see. Just be patient. That cat has kittens somewhere." Everyone laughed, "Why that was too absurd to even sound reasonable." Then one morning, after a two weeks absence, Snow Ball came tottering into the store. As one letter carrier said, "It was like seeing an apparition or ghost." "Her kittens are dead!" exclaimed Miss Vesta. "I didn't think she was going to have kittens," smugly remarked Aunt Sallie. "And her kittens aren't dead! She has two hid out somewhere and they have nursed her this morning! She won't bring them in because she knows these two yearlings, her last year's kittens, will kill them." Miss Vesta was excited. The store could just go to pot. She meant to find the new babies. The feed-room was searched, the barn, the granary, the blacksmith's shop and places that hadn't been disturbed since 'Rebs' hunted 'Feds' and 'Feds' hunted 'Rebs' during the war between the states. Nowhere, but nowhere could any kittens be found. Miss Vesta declared that if there had been any kittens they were dead. Aunt Sallie maintained that there were kittens and very much alive too. Every sort of shenanigan was worked. Shutting up Snow Ball for a day and watching to see where she went resulted in her going no place but sound asleep. In the meantime a pair of cat-birds built their nest in the big mulberry tree near Miss Vesta's kitchen door. As she started to the store early yesterday morning she thought she heard one of the birds mimicking a kitten. The newing grew louder. She turned back and there on the ground was the blackest, fattest kitten imaginable. "Where on earth have you been?" asked Miss Vesta. "I'll take you to the store and see if Snow Ball will claim you."

To the store they went. The minute Snow Ball saw that kitten she was horrified. She grabbed it by the back of the neck and left that store like one possessed. Right behind her followed 'the town' with Miss Vesta in the lead. Straight home marched Snow Ball, past the mulberry tree and into the car-shed. Still holding that kitten she jumped onto the car fender, then to the hood, on top of the car, and through a hole in the shed loft.

The slenderest person in the crowd climbed up and took a look to satisfy the onlookers' curiosity. You've guessed it.

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How to Counter Cat-Haters

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the extinction and licensing of all cats. But we have to convince the editors and the public; we have to inform the law makers. To do this, cat lovers have to study the scientific facts available. Hysteria and passion will not help—will seriously injure our cause. WE have the facts—and if we are to win we have to use those facts.

The important fact that American Cat Lovers have to face is that we must cease fighting a mouse defensive skirmish.

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Last year I initiated over Hal Nichols' KFOX radio station in Long Beach and Ralph Morris' television program over KFI-TV in Los Angeles the first of a new feature of National Cat Week—the opening day as World Cat Appreciation Day. For 1951, as national chairman, I am urging that World Cat Appreciation Day, marking the opening of N.C.W.

READERS WRITE

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an hour and a half before the second kitten was born, and Rhubarb stayed right next to the box, making cooing sounds of comfort. She aided in the birth by taking the kitten's head in her mouth and hastening its birth. Then she cut the cord with her teeth, cleaned up that kitten, and again cleaned up the mother cat. The Siamese was too worn out to nurse them, so Rhubarb even took over and fed the other cat's kittens, as she was still able to do so from having nursed her own so recently. The third birth was another hour later, and the fourth one soon after that. In each case, Rhubarb took care of all the details of the birth, and did all the duties of the natural mother cat.

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I hope this story will be of value to your Magazine. We are very enthusiastic about CATS, and we have mailed extra copies to cat-loving friends with whom we wished to share one special article.

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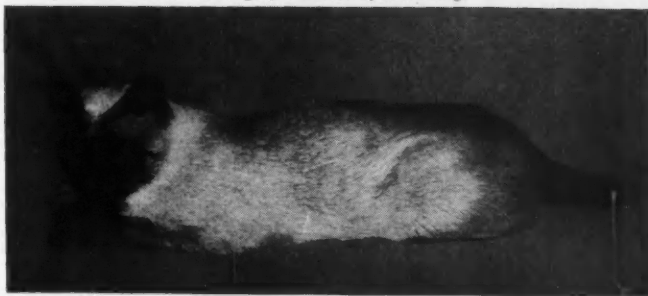
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Cat Queries & Answers

Since Miss Minerva Desing's letter appeared in our letters-to-the-Editor column (June, 1951), we have received many answers from people who have successfully solved her problem—how to keep one's pet safely in, at the same time making sure that intruders are kept out.

Two of the suggestions which we thought especially unusual we are writing of today, and while the first sounds a little drastic, its innovator, Mrs. W. H. Harrington, of Carthage, Missouri, swears by its effectiveness, and says it will not harm the cats confined thereby. She says she made a framework of iron posts (old pipe), about twelve feet apart, welded connecting pipe to the posts at top and bottom, then laced six foot chicken wire to this framework. Approximately two inches above the top of the resulting fence, she had a "hot" wire, of very, very low voltage, strung, so that the cats, if they attempted to climb over, received a slight sting.

Mrs. Harrington adds that the wire will remain charged if all vines are kept from it, but says it should of course be grounded at one place to the fence so that as the cat touches the fence, the slight sting will be felt. A door or gate can be put wherever desired, below the wire, without breaking the current.

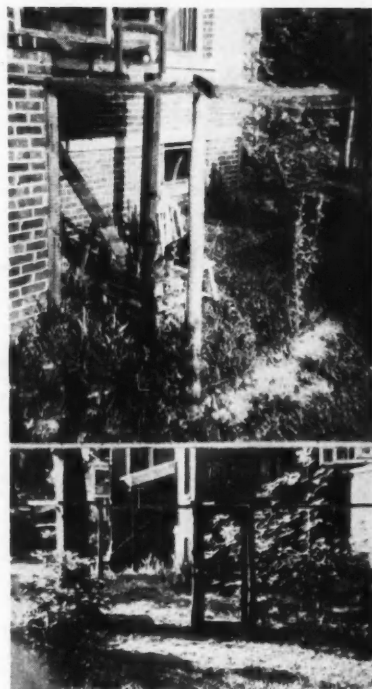
For those sentimental and unscientific souls who hesitate to kill or even sting a fly (with bowed head I confess to belong to their group), Mabel E. Crafts has another method, shown on this page. Miss Crafts writes she uses a "T" shaped fence around the cat's yard. Two widths of three-foot-high chicken wire provide a six-foot fence when laced together, and one width of the wire furnishes the top of the enclosure. In the midst of the yard is a tree for the cats, also a "penthouse", built outside a window in the Craft home, with a ramp extending down below a trap door so that the cats can climb up and down readily.



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Mabel E. Crafts' Cat-Proof Fence

Miss Crafts says she regularly had a visitor who attempted to dig under the fence, but she foiled him by imbedding wooden boards in the earth for a depth of about six inches below the wire fence.

For any one who must keep cats confined, people who have pets in a city or suburban lot, for example, or who have other reasons, we think Miss Craft's idea an excellent one. She provides plenty of space for exercise, even enclosing a tree, as well as the penthouse. "My cats rarely attempt to go out a regular house door", she says, as they have access to their garden from the house and penthouse, and they "are very contented to get their activity within the safe confines of their special yard."

To Miss Crafts, Mrs. Harrington, and all the others who wrote in, attempting to aid Miss Desing, our thanks. With such excellent cooperation among cat-owners and lovers, we almost wish we could trade places with a cat. But more of this in September when we discuss the "neurotic cat" of Mrs. Margaret Laing of Dorchester, Massachusetts. Mrs. Laing says it would take the wisdom of a Solomon to understand fully this cat, but she loves him; nonetheless, probably more in fact, and hopes that some of our readers will have suggestions when her pet's problems are aired next month.

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CATS GUISINE

(For Humans, Too)

By Fay Fenwick

Cats in general like good-natured, well-fed people around them. Surly, ill-tempered persons will drive a cat away quicker than you can say Jack Robinson. The basis of a cheerful disposition is good eating. If CATS' subscribers like the idea, we shall present a few stable, dependable recipes from time to time which have been compiled by our Cuisine Department, and we hope our readers may like the idea.

SALMON LOAF

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| 1 lb. can salmon | 2 soda crackers |
| 2 tbsp. melted butter | 1 cup buttermilk |
| 2 eggs well beaten | 1/2 tsp. baking soda |
| 1/4 cup corn meal | 1/4 tsp. salt |
| 1 tsp. onion grated | dash of black pepper |

Method: Shred salmon, remove bones and skin. Combine with other ingredients, crumbling crackers fine and stirring soda into buttermilk. Put in buttered casserole and bake 30 minutes in moderate oven (350 degrees F.) Serves 4 to 6.

(Kitty likes that left-over salmon, don't forget.)

While discussing the merits of long-haired, short-haired, Siamese or plain Tabby, give your guests nice sugar cookies (next month) and a glass of punch. They'll like it!

AN EXCELLENT PUNCH

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| Juice of 12 oranges | 1 large can shredded pineapple |
| Juice of 4 lemons | 1 quart strained tea |
| 1 qt. grapejuice | 2 quarts ginger ale |
| 1 cup sugar | |

Method: Mix all ingredients except ginger ale and let stand in cold place until ready to serve. When ready to serve stir well, add plenty of ice cubes or chopped ice, add ginger-ale last, blend well. This serves 30 to 40 punch glasses.

You have just won a Blue Ribbon at the local Cat Show. Everybody has cooperated wonderfully so you are having a dinner party for all your helpers. Serve:

SWEET POTATO BALLS

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| 6 cooked sweet potatoes, | 3 tbsp. light brown sugar |
| peeled | 2 eggs |
| 6 tbsp. butter or margarine | 6 or 8 marshmallows |
| 1 tsp. salt | cornflakes |
| 2 tbsp. orange juice | |

Method: Mash hot potatoes; add seasonings. Cut marshmallows in halves (using scissors dipped occasionally in hot water). Form balls of desired size with potato mixture; gently press marshmallow half inside of ball and roll in slightly beaten egg, then in mashed cornflakes and again in egg. Chill for short time to help balls retain shape. Fry in deep fat (vegetable shortening) heated to 370-380 degrees, until golden brown, 6 to 7 minutes. Drain on paper towels. Keep piping hot until ready to serve. Serves 8.

When you entertain the President of your Cat Club you may feel like splurging a bit on the dessert. This will go over BIG.

ICE CREAM PIE SUPREME

Flaky Pastry (recipe below)

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| 3 egg whites |
| 6 tablespoons granulated sugar |
| 1/2 teaspoon salt |
| 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract |
| 1/2 teaspoon almond extract |
| 1 quart ice cream, any desired flavor |

Method: Line a 9-inch fluted edge pie plate with pastry. Bake in pre-heated oven at 450 degrees for 15 minutes. Chill in refrigerator. Just before serving, add salt to egg whites, beat until foamy, add sugar gradually, beat until stiff, add flavoring. Fill chilled pastry with ice cream, then completely cover entire surface of ice cream with the beaten meringue. Place in hot oven, 500 degrees, for 2 to 3 minutes until meringue has set and is delicate brown. Remove from oven. Serve at once. Serves 6.

Flaky Pie Crust:

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| 1 1/2 cups flour | 1 teaspoon sugar | 1 egg white |
| 1/2 cup shortening | 1/2 teaspoon salt | 4 tbsp. ice water |

Sift dry ingredients together. Add shortening and cut in with pastry blender. Beat egg white slightly, add to water then gradually add to dry ingredients. Chill and bake. Yields two pastry shells (9 inch).

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"Would you be embarrassed if, around midnight, you were caught out in the hall of your apartment building, wearing pajamas, and shaking a can of peanut brittle while yelling, 'Here, kitty, kitty, kitty,'" asks HENRY McLEMORE, columnist for the Hearst syndicate? Well, not exactly embarrassed, HENRY, but the peanut brittle is such an odd thing to be shaking! We know rather well of a Siamese that will come only for the rattle of Brewers' Yeast tablets, but it seems that HENRY McLEMORE'S cat, with a sweet tooth, will answer only to the call of rattled peanut brittle. Oh well, to each his own. This same cat (he owns two) also loates television, except for KEN MURRAY, for whose show he will stand on his hind feet, front paws and face pressed to the screen, remaining there until the program is over. Then he leaves the room.

In Youngstown, Ohio, recently, a cat that got its head caught while raiding a can of salmon required the services of a patrolman and two city linemen before it could show its face again. FRED HARRINGTON first saw the "cat with a tin head" running frantically around his backyard, notified a policeman, who called linemen PAUL L. DAVIS and RUDOLPH GALGOCZI, who with a pair of tinner's shears between the four of them managed to cut the can away from grateful pussy's head. We presume it was grateful, although in the manner of cats with strangers, it scampered away (none the worse for its nightmare imprisonment), as soon as it was free.

Cats have been getting into all sorts of odd predicaments, lately. A cat belonging to HERMAN SHARPE of Brooklyn, N. Y. was lodged for four days between the brick walls of two buildings. Efforts of S. P. C. A. crews to fish him out were of no avail. Finally a police emergency squad bored a hole in the cellar wall next to the SHARPE residence and left some salmon at the entrance. The next day BLACKIE was found in the cellar, alive and happy. (Cats certainly seem to love salmon, or have you noticed?)

In Bloomfield, New Jersey, in the bachelor apartment of EUGENE H. HAWLEY, an automatic hot-plate was set to go off at 7:30 A.M., to begin the morning coffee. HAWLEY'S cat, PIXIE, who sleeps on top of the refrigerator, deliberately or accidentally kicked her pillow off onto the hot-plate, which at 7:30 duly went off and began preparing steamed-pillow for breakfast. At 7:45, firemen arrived to put out this unusual concoction. PIXIE hid under a bed.

After all other efforts had failed, a small boy, ARTHUR COCKERHAM, JR., managed to climb through a ventilating shaft to reach a cat which had become trapped in the dropped ceiling of Stregar's EMERSON COMPANY in Port Chester, New York. The police, S. P. C. A., building contractor, and Saturday afternoon shopping crowd proved once again that there is nothing quite so ingenious or effective as a rapidly-working mind in a quickly-moving small boy's body.

GERTRUDE, the cat at the Walla Walla, Washington state prison, had her paw chewed by a machine in the metal shop. Inmates made her a wooden leg which the prison hospital fitted, and now, when her patient watching beside a mouse-hole is finally rewarded and mouse runs out, she bops him over the head with her leg. Sounds like one of those neat

slug-men who step swiftly from behind doors in so many of our Grade B or C movies, but NEWSWEEK magazine swears this is a true tale.

A MISS LILLIAN GOON DIP, of Seattle, Washington, who owns 60 cats, all of which have their meals prepared by a special nurse, was sued recently by MISS GERTRUDE BOLLAND, also of Seattle, who claimed that she gave a cat to MISS GOON to board. MISS GOON, she said, would not return the cat. MISS GOON, however, who said the cat had been a gift, won the case. She had to pay the five dollar court-costs, but we imagine SCHEHERAZADE (SHERRY, for short), the cause of all this litigation, and a prize Persian, was worth it. MISS GOON, by the way, is the daughter of the late GOON DIP, long-time Seattle Chinese consul.

ORANGEY, who plays the part of RHUBARB in the picture of the same name, is going on a tour of fourteen cities as a publicity stunt to arouse interest in his picture, scheduled for a September release. On the tour, which will occur in August, ORANGEY will have two valets, H. ALLEN-SMITH, who wrote the original book, and RUFUS BLAIR, Hollywood press agent who may or may not be responsible for the whole idea. Music (and, excuse us, Mr. Van Cleve, we use the term loosely) for "Rhubarb" is being composed by NATHAN VAN CLEVE, who for many years arranged for ANDRE KOSTELANETZ. We are afraid his efforts for the score of "Rhubarb" will not be quite as soothing, in fact they will probably rival in cacophony anything from SHOSTAKOVICH on down, but we admire his venturesome spirit.

How would you like to live on a yacht called the SEA DREAM, which would follow the southern trade winds and dock at your whim in THE ISLE DE CAPRI, in PALM BEACH, or at the KEY LARGO ANGLER'S CLUB? And how would you like to have your beautiful fur, if you had fur, cleaned carefully for you with a vacuum by the ship's captain? Such is the lot of two cats owned by MR. & MRS. JOHN P. PORTER, who before they decided to follow the out-going tides lived with 35 cats on a farm in Libertyville, Illinois. The rest of the cats were distributed by the IRENE CASTLE ANIMAL HAVEN, and these two remaining aristocrats of the ocean, who never become sea-sick anymore, now have faithful reproductions of themselves on the "house" flag of the SEA DREAM.

Other notes from the "tonier" side of the world reveal that the young ladies of the CECIL B. LEE ACADEMY OF CHARM AND MODELING which is located (undoubtedly in California or Texas) outwest somewhere, keep a cat in the studio which they are instructed to imitate as they strive for that smooth gliding walk which is the trademark of all cats and of some few fortunate models.

A man who has acquired a great deal of wisdom through the years, although he probably started out with more than the average share, is a psychiatrist named JAMES TUCKER FISHER, who at 88 has just completed (in collaboration with onetime newsman Lowell S. Hawley), a book called "A Few Buttons Missing" (A. P. Lippincott, \$3.50). In this book, DR. FISHER reminisces, among other things, about his post-graduate days in Vienna, during which time he studied under SIGMUND FREUD, whom we were delighted to see he accepts only with definite reservations. DR. FISHER believes that if all of the best of everything ever written about psychology and psychiatry were summed-up by the most capable of living poets, the result would be a crude synopsis of the Sermon on the Mount. One of his sayings we especially liked, we quote: "Five minutes of honest relaxation with a kitten and a piece of string can be better therapy than a frantic trip around the world..."

We admire the frankness of HENRIETTA HITCHCOCK, World-Telegram columnist, who advises all readers protesting about covering their best pieces of furniture with waterproof sailcloth (It doesn't go with the decor!) when a wayward cat is in the house, that they are "not quite the person to get along with a cat." That is the kind of cat-owner we like, HITCHCOCK, we mean, and it is no wonder that people often say to her "Your cats must be a special breed, I've never seen cats look like that!" No, she says, they just "have the bloom of love on their sweet faces, that's all." We would like, some day, to see those loved and lovely ones. A. M.

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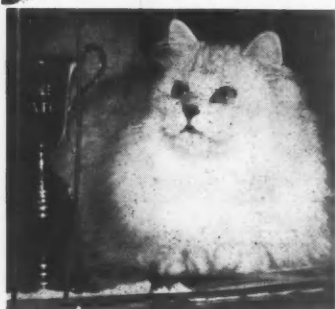
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